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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114

a.  Previously submitted  
 Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
 Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. Enclosed

Amendment/Reply  
 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
 Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
 Other .

2. Miscellaneous

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c)  
for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.

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b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

3.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1652.

- RCE Fee required under 37 CFR §1.17 (e)
- Extension of time fee if necessary
- If necessary, any other required fee

4.  Applicant(s) hereby petition for a two (2) month(s) extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action.

5.  Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-1652.

6.  Enclosed is our Check in the amount of \$1160.00 to cover the RCE Fee required under 37 CFR §1.17 (e) (\$375 / 750) and extension of time fees.

7.  If the required fees are missing or any additional fees are required during the pendency of the subject application, please charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1652 (SYMXP002).

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